



# MARYLAND MEDICAID PHARMACY PROGRAM

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## ADVISORY

*In an effort to give timely notice to the pharmacy community concerning important pharmacy topics, the Maryland Department of Health (MDH), **Maryland Medicaid Pharmacy Program (MMPP)** has developed the **Maryland Medicaid Pharmacy Program Advisory**. To expedite information timely to the pharmacy and prescriber communities, an email network has been established which incorporates the email lists of the Maryland Pharmacists Association, EPIC, CARE, Long Term Care Consultants, headquarters of all chain drugstores and prescriber associations and organizations. It is our hope that the information is disseminated to all interested parties. If you have not received this email through any of the previously noted parties or via MDH, please contact the MMPP representative at 410-767-1455.*

### **Change in Online Preferred Drug List/Formulary Vendor**

Effective February 1, 2018, Epocrates® will no longer be available as an online formulary resource for Maryland Medicaid's Fee-for-Service (FFS) Preferred Drug List (PDL) and HealthChoice Managed Care Organization (MCO) formulary information. The Department is transitioning to a new online formulary management resource, Formulary Navigator™, provided through Managed Markets Insights & Technology (MMIT). This application provides a most up-to-date list of medications covered under the FFS PDL program and formulary information for all of the MCOs, including coverage details, prior authorization/restrictions, (e.g. quantity, age) and links to additional information. This easy-to-access resource for clinicians, administrators, providers and participants is available at no cost.

Below is a copy of an announcement that will be mailed to providers in Maryland Medicaid Program.

**Note:** the website address ([www.mmppi.com](http://www.mmppi.com)) provides direct links to FFS PDL and each of the MCOs formularies.

# You talked. We listened.



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Presenting the streamlined, easy-access  
resource for Maryland Medicaid's PDL listing  
and HealthChoice MCO formulary information.

**[www.mmppi.com](http://www.mmppi.com)**

- ★ Web-based open access – no login required!
- ★ More detailed information on product restrictions and prescribing requirements
- ★ Easy access links to health plans
- ★ Multiple search options to find products

## What makes Formulary Navigator better?

- ⇒ **Alphabetical:** click on letter for which the product begins (e.g. for amoxicillin choose the letter A)
- ⇒ **Brand and generic search:** type in the entire product name for results (e.g. for amoxicillin you must type “amoxicillin” for results to populate)
- ⇒ **Therapeutic class:** full list of products and coverage information (note: some medications are listed in more than one therapeutic class, depending on indication)

## What should providers do?

- ⇒ Discontinue use of Epocrates which no longer supports on Maryland Medicaid Fee for Service PDL or MCO formulary information.
- ⇒ Bookmark this website address ([www.mmppi.com](http://www.mmppi.com)) which provides all the links below to search each formulary listing when choosing a prescription drug product for all Maryland Medicaid participants.

[www.mmppi.com](http://www.mmppi.com)

**MARYLAND MEDICAID PHARMACY PROGRAM FEE-FOR-SERVICE (FFS):**  
<https://client.formularynavigator.com/Search.aspx?siteCode=9381489506>

**MCO DIRECT FORMULARY ADDRESSES:**

Aetna Better Health: <https://client.formularynavigator.com/Search.aspx?siteCode=2196154784>

Amerigroup: <https://client.formularynavigator.com/Search.aspx?siteCode=9383911792>

Jai Medical Systems: <https://client.formularynavigator.com/Search.aspx?siteCode=9386334079>



Kaiser: <http://client.formularynavigator.com/Search.aspx?siteCode=9388942695>

Maryland Physicians Care: <https://client.formularynavigator.com/Search.aspx?siteCode=9391364981>

MedStar Family Choice: <https://client.formularynavigator.com/Search.aspx?siteCode=9393787267>

Priority Partners: <https://client.formularynavigator.com/Search.aspx?siteCode=9396395883>

United Healthcare: <https://client.formularynavigator.com/Search.aspx?siteCode=9398818169>

University of Maryland Health Partners: <https://client.formularynavigator.com/Search.aspx?siteCode=9401240456>



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